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Washington, D.C.—U.S. Congressman Mike Pence appeared on Fox News' "America's Newsroom" this morning to discuss the president's State of the Union Address and Governor Daniels' response last night. The video and excerpts are below.

On the State of the Union

"Let me say I think it was a missed opportunity for this president. As I travel around the Hoosier state we have more than a quarter of a million people in Indiana that are out of work. Families are hurting. I think Americans tuning in last night were hoping for a change of direction, and what they heard really was more of the same, more borrowing, more spending, more government and even more taxes. I really think it was in stark contrast to kind of the common sense, plainspoken approach of our own Governor Mitch Daniels and so I think it was a missed opportunity for the president but I'm awful proud of the best governor in America."

On the Unemployment Rate in the States

"I think they're looking for answers. I really think that's what commended Governor Mitch Daniels' response last night to so many Americans. I think people know the pathway forward here is to get back to basics, to get back to fiscal responsibility, to government reform, and to a relentless pursuit of pro-growth policies that focuses on private sector jobs. It was that kind of common sense that I think the American people were hoping to hear from the president. But

frankly, that is my third State of the Union Address with President Obama and, frankly I didn't hear much new. Again, it was more of the same failed economic policies of the past."

On Governor Daniels' Accomplishments

"What I didn't see was a pathway to prosperity. What I didn't see was the president marking out a new course where we could forge a bipartisan consensus on Capitol Hill to move America forward. When you're listening to Governor Mitch Daniels, remember in Indiana, it's not just talking about it, we've been doing it. In Indiana, this governor reversed about a \$700 million debt in just a few short years, cut taxes, reformed education, and has Indiana poised now for a tremendous period of economic growth."

"We're proud of Mitch Daniels, but it's because we've been practicing fiscal discipline and reform. That's what I think the president should have focused on last night."

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